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Weekly Egg Products Report

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The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 04-Oct-02 Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	60.83	51.99	59.79	78.09	64.91
Last week	65.20	54.85	61.26	80.08	67.82

Selected Cities Large - 04-Oct-02 **New York** 56-60 **Chicago** 46-50 **California** 86

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 30-Sep-02 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	145.8	309.0	171.5	231.1	225.5	1082.9	265.6	1348.5
% change PW	13	6	3	18	7	9	3	8

Breaking Stock 04-Oct-02 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	33-36	32-36 M 33-34
Checks & Undergrades	20-25	19-28.25 M 20-25

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 27-**Sep**-02. **CORRECTION ON MONTH**
Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,255,868	29,578	13,022	6,211	2,985	4,491
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,250,922	28,580	12,157	6,458	3,094	4,304
LAST YEAR	1,253,400	27,943	12,746	6,755	3,252	4,445
% CHANGE PW	0	3	7	-4	- 4	4
% CHANGE LY	0	6	2	-8	- 8	1
TO-DATE 2002	47,089,387	1,095,133	455,433	243,970	112,468	167,265
TO-DATE 2001	45,016,607	1,022,141	452,121	241,963	99,359	160,512
*% CHANGE YTD	5	7	1	1	13	4

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.44 **Previous Week:** 41.17 **Last Year:** 41.40

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.87 **Previous Week:** 37.73 **Last Year:** 37.85

Adjustments to previous week, year to date.

National Liquid Eggs - 04-Oct-02 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
Whole	8	30.5-34.25	31.91	-.99
Whites	24	8.5-10.50	9.65	-1.15
Yolks	7	77.0-81.00	79.57	.87

Pasteurized salt yolk reported traded from 75 to 81 cents fob.

Frozen Egg Prices - 04-Oct-02 - wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot		Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)	
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	37-47 M 42-43	41-45 M 42-43	51-55	50-53
Blends ³	Too Few To Report		69-85	-
Whites	22-32 M 22-24	22-32 M 22-24	27-42	28-31
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	82-85 M 83-85	82-85 M 83-85	89-93	89-92
Salted	78-81 M 78-80	77-81	85-90	85-88

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 04-Oct-02 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.57 - 1.80	1.60 - 1.70
Yolks	1.87 - 2.19	1.95 - 2.05
Albumen, Spray Dried	1.60 - 2.00	1.65 - 1.70
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.20 - 1.35	1.25 - 1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 28-Sep-02

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,832	This week	314	This week	2,146
Last week	1,851	Last week	267	Last week	2,118
Last year	1,937	Last year	267	Last year	2,204
To Date 2001	68,351	To Date 2001	12,015	To Date 2001	80,366
To Date 2000	69,277	To Date 2000	16,819	To Date 2000	86,096

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 21-Sep-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	553	0	40	593
Last year	520	0	0	520
To date 2002	19,095	21	695	19,811
To date 2001	5,769	78	40	5,887

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 21-Sep-02

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	173	186	98	457
Last year	180	2	0	182
To date 2002	4,874	2,673	3,926	11,473
To date 2001	4,048	1,075	485	5,608

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 21-Sep-02

	Jumbo	X-Large	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	17	1,870	4,063	1,200	15,298	1,105	23,553
Last year	0	2,140	6,555	300	13,920	0	22,915
To date 2002	1,563	27,053	96,346	37,133	238,673	14,797	415,565
To date 2001	87	50,952	97,107	34,168	294,170	67,220	543,704

Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) -

Shell Eggs Broken Down Slightly: Shell eggs broken totaled 166 million dozen during August 2002, down slightly from August a year ago. August 2002 contained 22 weekdays, and five Saturdays compared to 23 weekdays and four Saturdays in August 2001. Data presented in this report were compiled from inspection reports of the Food Safety and Inspection Service. The best available data at time of publication were used.

Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, United States, August 2001-02				
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Inspected Item	:	Period	:	2002 :
	:	-----: as % of :		
	:	Aug 2001	:	Aug 2002 : 2001 :

Shell Eggs Broken :	:	----- 1,000 Dozen -----	:	Percent :
	:	166,989	:	166,193 : 100 :
Edible Liquid from Shell Eggs Broken	:	-----1,000 Pounds -----	:	Percent :
	:	:		
Whole	:	127,279	:	132,181 : 104 :
White	:	52,877	:	48,358 : 91 :
Yolk	:	27,153	:	26,247 : 97 :
Total	:	207,309	:	206,786 : 100 :
Inedible Liquid from Shell Eggs Broken	:	19,874	:	20,413 : 103 :

Data Sources: Data for the "Egg Products" report are obtained from Grading Volume Reports (Form PY-240) completed by inspectors of the Egg Products Inspection Division, Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), USDA. FSIS is responsible for administering a mandatory inspection program for egg products under the authority of the Egg Products Inspection Act of 1970. The Act and its associated Regulations require that all commercial egg breaking and processing plants operate under continuous USDA supervision. Reports are currently received from approximately 75 plants. Plant management provides monthly volume data to the resident USDA inspector at the applicable plant.

Procedures and Reliability: FSIS reviews plant data for accuracy and completeness and provides NASS a data file. NASS reviews the data for unusual values. The egg products estimates are based on a census of all commercial egg breaking and processing plants, therefore, there are no statistical estimation and sampling errors.

The next "Egg Products" report will be released at 3 p.m. ET on April 3, 2002.